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1 General

Incorporated in 1912, Port Alberni has a total land area of 19.92 square km (2006 Census). By highway the City is 47 km west of Parksville, at the head of Alberni Inlet. Port Alberni is in the Alberni-Clayoquot Regional District.

2 Population Estimates

Annual Estimates

Year	Port Alberni	% Change Prev. Year	BC	% Change Prev. Year
2007	17,624	n/a	4,309,632	n/a
2008	17,681	0.3	4,384,047	1.7
2009	17,763	0.5	4,459,947	1.7
2010	17,747	-0.1	4,529,647	1.6
2011	17,836	0.5	4,573,321	1.0

Source: Statistics Canada (as of July 1, includes estimate of Census undercount)

Age Distribution

2011 Census

Port Alberni	Male	Female
All ages	8,715	9,030
0 - 14	1,445	1,405
15 - 24	965	945
25 - 44	1,825	1,930
45 - 64	2,735	2,830
65 +	1,745	1,920

% Distribution, 2011 *

Port Alberni	BC
100.0	100.0
16.1	15.4
10.8	12.6
21.1	26.3
31.4	30.0
20.7	15.7

** based on published totals, both sexes*

2006 Census Profiles can be found on our Website at http://www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/census.asp

3 Selected Census Characteristics

Characteristics	Port Alberni 2001	Port Alberni 2006	Port Alberni % Change	British Columbia % Change	British Columbia 2001	British Columbia 2006
Population	17,743	17,548	- 1.1	5.3	3,907,738	4,113,487
Population (by citizenship)	17,535	17,330	- 1.2	5.3	3,868,875	4,074,385
Non-immigrant	15,280	15,220	- 0.4	2.9	2,821,870	2,904,240
Immigrant	2,225	2,045	- 8.1	10.8	1,009,820	1,119,215
Labour force (15+ yrs.)	8,055	8,110	0.7	8.1	2,059,950	2,226,380
Employees	7,070	7,075	0.1	9.2	1,715,600	1,873,050
Self-employed	725	870	20.0	7.4	291,455	313,000
Participation rate [ppt.=percentage points]	56.7%	56.3%	-0.4 ppt.	0.4 ppt.	65.2%	65.6%
Unemployment rate	15.1%	7.6%	-7.5 ppt.	-2.5 ppt.	8.5%	6.0%
Total population 25 to 64 years	9,160	9,315	1.7	6.5	2,144,050	2,284,465
No certificate, diploma or degree	2,860	1,945	- 32.0	- 40.1	471,470	282,200
High school certificate or equivalent	2,295	2,635	14.8	27.7	462,925	591,275
Apprenticeship/trades certificate or diploma	1,505	1,675	11.3	- 7.4	295,180	273,450
College, CEGEP or other cert. or diploma	1,575	1,875	19.0	11.3	401,760	447,005
University certificate, diploma or degree	915	1,180	29.0	34.7	512,715	690,535
Bachelor's degree	560	630	12.5	23.0	282,800	347,715
Census families	5,080	5,180	2.0	6.9	1,086,030	1,161,420
Lone-parent families	985	990	0.5	4.0	168,420	175,165
Households	7,560	7,660	1.3	7.1	1,534,335	1,643,150
1-family households	4,965	5,015	1.0	6.1	1,012,925	1,074,850
Multi-family households	55	80	45.5	18.4	35,050	41,510
Non-family households	2,530	2,560	1.2	8.3	486,355	526,785
Median Income (2000 & 2005)	$ 19,044	$ 23,392	22.8	12.5	$ 22,095	$ 24,867
Males	$ 28,528	$ 33,247	16.5	9.0	$ 28,976	$ 31,598
Females	$ 14,233	$ 16,685	17.2	14.0	$ 17,546	$ 19,997
Median Family Income (2000 & 2005)	$ 48,748	$ 54,966	12.8	20.0	$ 54,840	$ 65,787
Economic Families	5,055	5,125	1.4	6.5	1,044,850	1,112,810
2001 Incidence, low income / 2006 Prevalence, low income	16.5%	13.4%	-3.1 ppt.	-0.6 ppt.	13.9%	13.3%
Unattached persons, 15+	2,800	2,855	2.0	4.7	576,825	603,880
Incidence, low income	40.6%	33.3%	-7.3 ppt.	-1.4 ppt.	38.1%	36.7%
Population in private hh.	17,440	17,190	- 1.4	5.1	3,785,270	3,978,215
Incidence, low income	21.4%	17.4%	-4.0 ppt.	-0.5 ppt.	17.8%	17.3%
Dwellings	7,555	7,660	1.4	7.1	1,534,335	1,643,150
Owned	5,230	5,550	6.1	12.5	1,017,485	1,145,045
Rented	2,325	2,105	- 9.5	- 3.6	512,360	493,995
Average gross rent	$ 526	$ 539	2.5	10.4	$ 750	$ 828
Average owners' payments	$ 603	$ 674	11.8	17.1	$ 904	$ 1,059
Avg. value, owned dwel.	$ 110,000	$ 196,832	78.9	81.5	$ 230,645	$ 418,703

Source: Statistics Canada. Notes: incomes are for 2005 and 2000; rent/owner's payments are restricted to non-farm, non-reserve private dwellings.

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4 Labour Force by Industry (NAICS)

Industry	Port Alberni 2001	Port Alberni 2006	Port Alberni % Change	BC % change	% Distribution, 2006 Port Alberni	% Distribution, 2006 BC
Total labour force	8,060	8,175	1.4	8.1	100.0	100.0
Industry - Not applicable	240	150	- 37.5	- 26.6	1.8	1.5
All industries (Experienced LF)	7,820	8,025	2.6	8.9	98.2	98.5
111-112 Farms	100	120	20.0	5.2	1.5	1.8
113 Forestry and logging	405	370	- 8.6	- 10.0	4.5	1.0
114 Fishing, hunting and trapping	55	100	81.8	1.3	1.2	0.2
1151/2 Support activities for farms	-	-	-	11.3	-	0.1
1153 Support activities for forestry	70	60	- 14.3	- 21.5	0.7	0.3
21 Mining and oil and gas extraction	10	25	150.0	42.6	0.3	0.9
22 Utilities	20	25	25.0	- 3.4	0.3	0.5
23 Construction	330	545	65.2	39.9	6.7	7.5
31-33 Manufacturing	1,600	1,245	- 22.2	- 2.7	15.2	8.5
311 Food manufacturing	200	230	15.0	3.6	2.8	1.0
321 Wood product manufacturing	735	485	- 34.0	- 16.1	5.9	1.7
322 Paper manufacturing	565	340	- 39.8	- 13.5	4.2	0.6
41 Wholesale trade	100	110	10.0	11.6	1.3	4.1
44-45 Retail trade	1,045	1,065	1.9	6.9	13.0	11.2
441 Motor vehicle and parts dealers	100	105	5.0	9.0	1.3	1.1
445 Food and beverage stores	340	355	4.4	8.4	4.3	2.9
448 Clothing & clothing accessories	45	45	-	9.2	0.6	1.1
452 General merchandise stores	120	245	104.2	6.5	3.0	1.2
48-49 Transportation & warehousing	210	255	21.4	0.6	3.1	5.2
51 Information and cultural industries	95	80	- 15.8	- 5.3	1.0	2.6
52 Finance and insurance	135	160	18.5	4.5	2.0	3.8
53 Real estate & rental/leasing	95	90	- 5.3	22.1	1.1	2.3
54 Prof'sonal, scientific & tech. serv.	220	225	2.3	18.6	2.8	7.3
55 Mgment. of companies/ent'prises	-	10	-	126.6	0.1	0.1
56 Admin+support, waste mgmnt srv.	280	300	7.1	20.4	3.7	4.4
61 Educational services	530	485	- 8.5	9.2	5.9	6.9
62 Health care and social assistance	895	865	- 3.4	6.5	10.6	9.6
71 Arts, entertainment and recreation	135	225	66.7	11.3	2.8	2.3
72 Accommodation and food services	635	745	17.3	7.7	9.1	8.1
721 Accommodation services	175	205	17.1	2.5	2.5	1.7
722 Food services & drinking places	460	545	18.5	9.2	6.7	6.4
81 Other services (excl. public admin.)	335	405	20.9	11.8	5.0	4.9
91 Public administration	520	500	- 3.8	- 2.0	6.1	5.0
Special Aggregations: Agriculture, Food and Beverage	155	150	- 3.2	5.8	1.8	2.9
Special Aggregations: Fishing and Fish Processing	200	300	50.0	- 3.3	3.7	0.5
Special Aggregations: Logging and Forest Products	1,765	1,255	- 28.9	- 14.7	15.4	3.7
Special Aggregations: Mining and Mineral Products	35	95	171.4	17.1	1.2	2.1

Source: Statistics Canada. Industry according to NAICS version used in each census. Unpublished data.

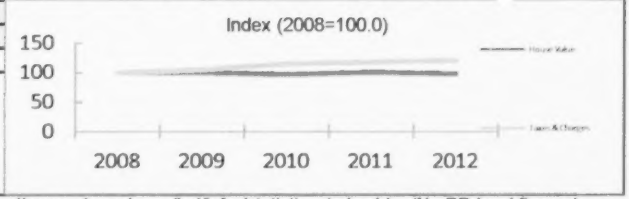
5 Business Locations- Number of Firms by Employment Size Range

	Firms with no employees		Firms with employees		% change	Pt Alberni CA			
	Pt Alberni CA	BC	Pt Alberni CA	BC	Pt Alberni CA	1 to 19	20 to 49	50-199	200 Plus
2008	628	185,879	907	175,003	-	821	54	26	6
2009	660	186,541	909	176,124	0.2	823	57	24	5
2010	645	194,349	907	175,913	- 0.2	818	61	24	4
2011	645	195,290	888	173,589	- 2.1	796	67	21	4

Source: Business Register, Statistics Canada. In some areas, boundary changes/geocoding changes may cause large changes.

6 Municipal Residential Taxes and Charges on a Representative House

	Port Alberni House Value		Port Alberni Taxes & Charges	
Year	$	% change	$	% change
2008	199,134		2,209	
2009	199,364	0.1	2,325	5.2
2010	192,607	-3.4	2,541	9.3
2011	200,513	4.1	2,607	2.6
2012	195,208	-2.6	2,668	2.4



Source: Ministry of Community, Sport & Cultural Development http://www.cd.gov.bc.ca/lgd/infra/statistics_index.htm (No RD level figures)

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7 Values of Building Permits

Year	Residential Number of Units: Port Alberni	Residential Number of Units: BC	Residential Value $'000: Port Alberni	Residential Value $'000: BC	Non-Residential Value $'000: Port Alberni	Non-Residential Value $'000: BC	Total Value $'000: Port Alberni	Total Value $'000: BC	Year
2007	43	40,932	10,569	8,611,723	12,608	3,932,968	23,177	12,544,691	2007
2008	60	30,110	14,761	6,899,289	4,033	3,677,866	18,794	10,577,155	2008
2009	33	18,607	9,183	4,491,075	12,252	3,138,810	21,435	7,629,885	2009
2010	94	28,984	17,697	6,705,888	10,850	3,017,921	28,547	9,723,809	2010
2011	35	25,745	8,351	6,113,406	43,861	3,136,361	52,212	9,249,767	2011

Source: Statistics Canada

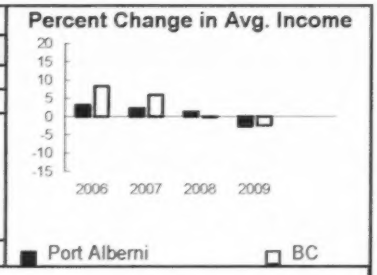
Note: Detailed non-residential permits data can be found on our Website: www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca
A dash can indicate a nil report, a value of less than $500, or non-reporting. P indicates 'preliminary'.

8 Personal Taxation Statistics

Total Income of All Returns

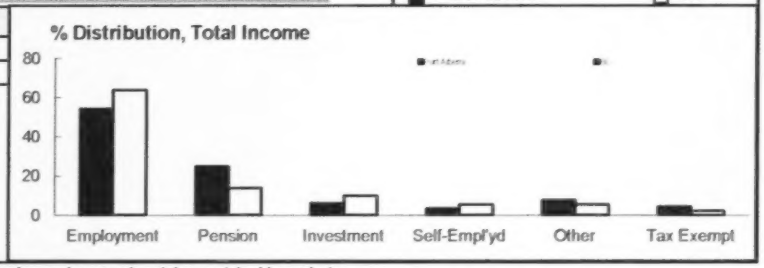
Year	All Returns (number): Port Alberni	All Returns (number): BC	Average Income ($): Port Alberni	Average Income ($): BC	% Change avg. income: Port Alberni	% Change avg. income: BC
2005	19,480	3,154,090	30,968	35,601	n/a	n/a
2006	19,360	3,165,750	31,926	38,523	3.1	8.2
2007	20,110	3,287,750	32,642	40,802	2.2	5.9
2008	20,320	3,383,640	33,051	40,736	1.3	-0.2
2009	20,220	3,406,860	32,153	39,754	-2.7	-2.4

Taxation data available at :http://www.bcstats.gov.bc.ca/data/dd/income.asp



Source of Total Income 2009

	Port Alberni $Thousands	Port Alberni % of Total	BC % of Total
Employment	351,996	54.1	63.7
Pension	160,139	24.6	13.8
Investment	39,848	6.1	9.8
Self-Employed	21,071	3.2	5.3
Other	48,896	7.5	5.3
Tax Exempt	28,177	4.3	2.0
Total	650,132	100.0	100.0

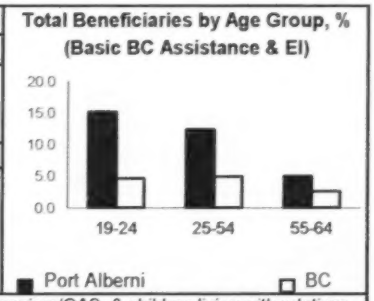


Source : Canada Revenue Agency. Areas are defined by postal codes and may not match municipal boundaries.

9 Dependency on the Safety Net

Percentage of Population by Age Receiving Benefits - September 2009

Age Group	BC Basic* Income Assistance Recipients (%): Port Alberni	BC Basic* Income Assistance Recipients (%): BC	Employment Insurance Beneficiaries (%): Port Alberni	Employment Insurance Beneficiaries (%): BC	Total of BC Basic Income Assistance & EI Beneficiaries (%): Port Alberni	Total of BC Basic Income Assistance & EI Beneficiaries (%): BC
Under 19	12.4	2.7				
19-24	12.6	2.1	3.1	2.6	15.2	4.6
25-54	7.8	1.9	4.8	3.1	12.4	4.9
55-64	2.0	0.7	3.1	2.0	5.0	2.6
19-64	6.9	1.7	4.2	2.8	10.9	4.4



* On temporary assistance only. Excluded are those on Continuous Assistance, aboriginals living on reserve, seniors/OAS, & children living with relatives.

Source: BC Stats (using administrative files from the BC Ministry of Housing & Social Development, and Human Resources & Social Development Canada)

Note: EI Beneficiareies reports now include regular, fishing and employment benefits, work sharing and support measures. The reports exclude sickness, maternity and parental benefits.

10 Business Formations and Failures

Incorporations

Year	Number: Port Alberni	Number: BC
2007	68	34,036
2008	57	30,085
2009	40	26,431
2010	35	30,305
2011	53	30,844

Source: BC Ministry of Finance

Incorporations are counted in municipality of the registered office address which may differ from the actual business location.

Bankruptcies

Year	Port Alberni Business	Port Alberni Consumer	Vancouver Island/Coast DR Business	Vancouver Island/Coast DR Consumer	BC Business	BC Consumer
2005	3	60	n.a.	n.a.	786	8,168
2006	2	52	80	1,368	585	7,020
2007	0	40	70	1,410	470	6,651
2008	2	47	94	1,495	454	7,293
2009	3	71	80	2,179	380	10,639

Source: Office of the Superintendent of Bankruptcy, Government of Canada

Note: Bankruptcy is by urban postal code forward sortation area and is counted where it is filed.

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